

Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIFTH YEAR

OF

Centenary College of Louisiana

SATURDAY, THE SIXTH OF MAY

TWO THOUSAND



HIRSCH MEMORIAL COLISEUM

TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK

Order of Exercises

PROCESSIONAL: "*Pomp and Circumstance*" Edward Elgar
Centenary Wind Ensemble
Dr. Thomas Stone, Conductor

* NATIONAL ANTHEM led by the Centenary College Choir

* INVOCATION Dr. Jack O'Dell
Chaplain, Centenary College

* HYMN: "*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*" led by the Centenary Wind Ensemble
and the Centenary College Choir

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!*

*Mortals join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.*

SCRIPTURE READING: *Proverbs 5:1-13* Dr. O'Dell

ANTHEM: "*Battle Hymn of the Republic*" William Steffe
Arranged by Wilhousky

Centenary College Choir
Dr. Will Andress, Director

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab, President
Mr. William G. Anderson, Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Dr. Earl W. Fleck, Provost and Dean of the College

ADDRESS Mrs. Barbara P. Bush
Former First Lady, United States of America

INDUCTION OF THE CLASS OF 2000 INTO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Ms. Angela G. Watkins
Class Agent, Class of 2000

CONFERRING OF HONORS AND DEGREES IN COURSE Dr. Schwab
and Dr. Fleck

* ALMA MATER led by the Centenary Wind Ensemble
and the Centenary College Choir

Where the sleepy, silver bayou
Gleams among the pines,
Watching o'er the throbbing city
Alma Mater shines.

CHORUS

Forward, forward, Centenary—
Time and tide may fail,
But our hearts shall love thee ever—
Centenary, Hail!

* BENEDICTION Mr. Dawson B. Taylor
President, Student Government Association

RECESSIONAL led by the Centenary Wind Ensemble

* THE AUDIENCE WILL STAND

(PLEASE REMAIN SEATED DURING THE PROCESSIONAL AND THE RECESSIONAL.)

Following commencement, family and friends of graduates are invited to a reception near the front entrances.

Grand Marshal – Dr. Lee Morgan

Faculty Marshal – Dr. Rosemary Seidler

Ushers – Maroon Jackets

Candidates for Degrees

Students Being Graduated With Academic Honors:

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Catherine McConnell Cabaniss
Nathan Blaine Hamilton
Melissa Gayle Mayes
John Steven Mudd
Jason Blance Nichols
Yvonne N. Recio
Katherine Cherie Tedesco
Katy Elaine Valentine
Natalie Marie Vaughan
Sarah Elizabeth Wheat

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Amber Leigh Baggett
Julia Maureen Biehle
Millicent Amy Burford
Stacy Cox
Sarah Brooke Earles
Jenni Suzanne Edington
Kasey Leigh Hagler
John Thomas Hubbard II
Laura Sorrows Jimerson
Tonya Michelle Jordan
Christopher Ray Martin
Rachel Elaine O'Dell
Carey Ann Olney
Andrea Leigh Reese
Chad Victor Ruffin
Angela Jane Russell
Shelley Nicole Schneider
Katherine Elizabeth Slaikeu
Jennifer Lynn Smith
Jennifer Leigh Taylor
Virginia Kate Valentine

CUM LAUDE

Tiffany Jenness Adderley
Tracy Lynn Autrey
Torrey Harrison Bertheau
Staci Alana Braden
Joshua Wesley Bridges
Alyson Briggs
Ina Rebecca Brown
Amy Elizabeth Foster
Melissa Tiare Gabriel
Nicole Lea Harris
Jason Michael Hoffman
Caressa Lynn Holloman
Karla Shantel Jackson
Andrew Scott Jones
Virginia Britton Lipscomb
Jessica Joy Mettam
Jeffrey Daniel Pierce
Angela Dara Rowe
Timothy Luke Thompson
Angela Gaye Watkins
Joseph Raymond West, Jr.
Kimberly Elaine Wilson

Bachelor of Arts

Heather Suzanne Alexander, *Dance*
Amanda Beth Blackburn, *Communication*
(*Professional Writing*)
Alyson Briggs, *English (Communication Emphasis)*
* Catherine McConnell Cabaniss, *Political Science*
James M. Ciaravella III, *Psychology*
Johnathan Steven Clay, *History*
Virgilio Augusto Davis, Jr., *Art*
Rachel Christine Demascal, *Interdisciplinary:*
"Communicating Biological Sciences"
Jamie Carisa Dromgoole, *Dance*
* Jenni Suzanne Edington, *German*
Jacqueline Grace Eiswirth, *English*
(*Communication Emphasis*)
Samuel Obed Flores, *Communication (Professional Writing)*
Amy Elizabeth Foster, *Psychology and Sociology*
Amy Costello Franklin, *Performing Arts*
LeVette Dione Fuller, *Dance*
Melissa Tiare Gabriel, *Theatre*
Emily Frances Gannon, *Communication*
(*Professional Writing*)
Margaret Elizabeth Green, *Communication*
(*Professional Writing*)
Kasey Leigh Hagler, *Music*
Nathan Blaine Hamilton, *Sociology*
Pelham Clay Hargett, *Geology*
Nicole Lea Harris, *Communication (Professional Writing)*
William Merritt Hess, *Interdisciplinary:*
"Religion and Humanism"
Mikisha Lei Hooper, *Psychology*
John Thomas Hubbard II, *Geology*
Betsy Aleece Humphries, *Political Science*
Karla Shantel Jackson, *Political Science*
Laura Sorrows Jimerson, *Psychology*
Kari Lyn Johnson, *Communication (Professional Writing)*
* Tonya Michelle Jordan, *History and German*
Vanessa Lee Keller, *Theatre*
Chloe Anne Kilman, *Art*
Elizabeth Galen Lagersen Farrell, *Sociology*
Wesley Austin Lee, *Communication (Film, TV, Video)*
* Virginia Britton Lipscomb, *English*
* Melissa Gayle Mayes, *History and Spanish*
Melanie Ann Maxey, *Interdisciplinary: "Film Producing"*
Lyndsay Anne McDonough, *French*
Jennifer Melissa Meldrum, *Sociology*
Jessica Joy Mettam, *Interdisciplinary:*
"Comparative Literature"
* John Steven Mudd, *Economics*
* Jason Blance Nichols, *Economics and*
Business Administration
Heather Michelle Nolan, *Christian Education*
Stephanie Anne Noullet, *English*
Carey Ann Olney, *Political Science*
Jacob Thomas Porter, *Music*

Andrew Orland Pylant, *French*
 Lindsay Lee Robinson, *Economics and Mathematics*
 * Angela Dara Rowe, *Psychology*
 Elizabeth Ann Rozas, *Christian Education*
 * Katherine Elizabeth Slaikeu, *History*
 Michael Logan Sledge, *Theatre*
 Stephanie Michelle Stodghill, *Psychology*
 Jennifer Leigh Taylor, *Dance*
 * Scott Henry Townsend, *English*
 * Katy Elaine Valentine, *Sociology*
 Ronald Matthew Vandiver, *Political Science*
 Maya Bashiri Walker, *Psychology*
 Angela Gaye Watkins, *Communication*
 (Professional Writing)
 Danielle Renée West, *Political Science*
 Jacintha Beatrice Wick, *Communication*
 (Professional Writing)

Bachelor of Music

Julia Maureen Biehle, *Orchestral Performance*
 Luis Octavio Cardenas, *Vocal Performance*
 Sarah Elise Clark, *Sacred Music (Vocal)*
 James Granville Eakin III, *Music Composition*
 Angela Jane Russell, *Orchestral Performance*
 * Jennifer Lynn Smith, *Sacred Music (Vocal)*
 Ta Carroll Edwards Townsend, *Music Education (Vocal)*

Bachelor of Science

Tiffany Jenness Adderley, *Applied Science and Health/Exercise Science*
 Timothy Michael Anderson, *Finance*
 Tracy Lynn Autrey, *Business Administration*
 Thomas Vincent Avallone, *Business Administration*
 Amber Leigh Baggett, *Physics*
 Torrey Harrison Bertheau, *Business Administration*
 Staci Alana Braden, *Applied Science*
 Joshua Wesley Bridges, *Accounting and Business Administration*
 Ina Rebecca Brown, *Elementary Education*
 * Millicent Amy Burford, *Accounting*
 * Millicent Amy Burford, *Business Administration*
 April Christine Carpenter, *Applied Science*
 Agnieszka Cieslak, *Business Administration*
 Catherine Elizabeth Conger, *Biology and Psychology*
 Stacy Cox, *Accounting*
 Stephanie Jane Crowl, *Business Administration*
 Samuel Josiah Denison, *Physics*
 Alicia Ellis DuCote, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Sarah Brooke Earles, *Elementary Education*
 Christopher Ashley Farrell, *Accounting and Business Administration*
 Robert Enrique Fernandez-Vinas, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Thomas Nathaniel Foster, *Accounting*
 La'Tonyia Michelle Franklin, *Applied Science*
 Jaime Eduardo Frias, *Health/Physical Education*
 Harry Quitman Gahagan III, *Business Administration and Finance*

Maura Eileen Gibson, *Biology*
 Ann Elizabeth Haggard, *Biology*
 Kasey Leigh Hagler, *Accounting*
 Jacob Lee Haney, *Business Administration*
 Cornell Yemon Hardman, *Mathematics*
 Robin Dannette Hill, *Elementary Education*
 Jason Michael Hoffman, *Biology*
 Caressa Lynn Holloman, *Biology*
 Andrew Scott Jones, *Business Administration and Economics*
 Tasha Waniqua Lacy, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Patricia Michelle Lavin, *Geology*
 Timothy Lashawn Law, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Sandra Elaine Lennon, *Accounting*
 Shawn Robert Lucchesi, *Business Administration*
 Christopher Ray Martin, *Biology and Environmental Sciences*
 Joshua Warren McAfee, *Business Administration*
 Lyndsay Anne McDonough, *Applied Science*
 Jennifer Melissa Meldrum, *Business Administration*
 Rachel Elaine O'Dell, *Elementary Education*
 Vasiliki Andrew Panos, *Biology*
 James Todd Patton, *Finance*
 Jeffrey Daniel Pierce, *Business Administration*
 Andrew Orland Pylant, *Biochemistry*
 * Yvonne N. Recio, *Elementary Education*
 Andrea Leigh Reese, *Elementary Education*
 John Marshall Rice, *Business Administration*
 Elizabeth Ann Roberts, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Steven Christopher Robinson, *Business Administration*
 Dwayne Paul Roy, *Business Administration*
 Chad Victor Ruffin, *Biology*
 William Leo Schaffler, *Business Administration*
 Shelley Nicole Schneider, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Shannon Marie Scott, *Accounting and Business Administration*
 Virginia Ann Soileau, *Business Administration*
 William Spencer Street, *Business Administration*
 Elizabeth Ann Stubblefield, *Biophysics*
 Christopher A. Susilovich, *Environmental Sciences*
 * Katherine Cherie Tedesco, *Biology*
 Timothy Luke Thompson, *Biology and Environmental Sciences*
 Jeff Dwight Tietjen, *Business Administration*
 Eric Joseph Tisdell, *Health/Exercise Science*
 Virginia Kate Valentine, *Biology*
 * Natalie Marie Vaughan, *Biology*
 James McCormick Voisin, *Business Administration*
 Todd Michael Wagner, *Business Administration*
 Jaime Ariane Walker, *Applied Science*
 Ted William Ward, Jr., *Health/Exercise Science*
 John Vincent Ware, *Science Education*
 Joseph Raymond West, Jr., *Chemistry and Environmental Sciences*
 * Sarah Elizabeth Wheat, *Biochemistry*
 Aaron Michael Wicklund, *Health/Physical Education*
 Kimberly Elaine Wilson, *Business Administration*
 * Alpha Chi National Honor College Scholarship Society

Master of Arts in Teaching

Justin Mathias Kern, *Secondary Education*
Phoebe M. Tyeskey, *Secondary Education*
Reva Diane Cook Inabnett, *Secondary Education*

Master of Education

Laura Trichell Barron, *School Administration*
Sabrina Mechell Brown, *School Administration*
Tiffany Williams Brown, *School Administration*
Grayson Everett Collins, *School Administration*
Stacy L. Crawford, *School Administration*
Lauren Oberle Culver, *Elementary Education*
Greer Pateece Davis, *Supervision of Instruction*
Jennifer Davis Douglas, *Supervision of Instruction*
Helen LaDon Gaines, *Elementary Education*
Sidney Rush Haley, *School Administration*
William D. Knox, Jr., *School Administration*
Kristene Brown O'Daniel, *School Administration*
Melinda Motsinger Patty, *Elementary Education*
Kamithia DeShay Penton, *School Administration*
Sherri T. Pool, *School Administration*
Jason Bryan Rowland, *School Administration*
Tiffany Salley Toups, *Supervision of Instruction*
Jennifer K. Welch, *Secondary Education*

Master of Business Administration

Butch Allen Adams
Fairy Belle Allen
Tracie Turner Booras
Dean DeWitt Brown
Jeffrey L. Brown
Debra Bruce Carr
Martin R. Cole, Jr.
Jillene Parkerson Faulk
William Thomas Gentry
Cregg Stuart Hardwick
Lois J. Harris
Donald L. Hoffman
Troy K. Jeffrey
Ye Liu
Elizabeth Anne Mayo
Stanley Craig Minter
Susie Bowers Murphy
Eric Earl Niemeyer
Thomas Julian Ostendorff III
Michael Fitzgerald Penn
Jeanne K. Phizacklea
Craig George Robinson
Charles Clifton Taylor
Kathy Louise Taylor
Glenn Steven Wood
Kevin Lee Woodard

Honorary Degrees

Barbara P. Bush, *Doctor of Laws*
Ernest J. Gaines, *Doctor of Humane Letters*
Samuel P. Peters, *Doctor of Laws*

Departmental Honors

The following students have distinguished themselves by achieving Departmental Honors in the designated disciplines, signifying the completion of an intensive research project with presentation of the results to student peers and faculty.

Christopher Ray Martin, *Biology*
Jason Blance Nichols, *Economics*
Carey Ann Olney, *Political Science*
Andrew Orland Pylant, *Biochemistry*
Angela Dara Rowe, *Psychology*
Katy Elaine Valentine, *Sociology*
Maya Bashiri Walker, *Psychology*
Joseph Raymond West, Jr., *Chemistry*
Sarah Elizabeth Wheat, *Biochemistry*

Graduating Students Receiving Awards on Thursday, April 13, 2000

Top Accounting Student Award
Kasey Leigh Hagler

Arles International Photography Scholarship
Elizabeth Ann Rozas

Chris T. and Sue C. Barnette Scholarship
Tonya Michelle Jordan

M. T. Brewerton Award in History
Katherine Elizabeth Slaikau

Ellis H. Brown Leadership Award
Nathan Blaine Hamilton
Jessica Joy Mettam

Student Government Association Bullet Award
Danielle Reneé West

Centenary College Student Service Award
Karla Shantel Jackson

Chemistry Department Award
Sarah Elizabeth Wheat

Outstanding Elementary Education Award
Yvonne N. Recio

English Victory Award
Jamie Colette Prince

Candace C. Ernest Inspiration Award
Heather Suzanne Alexander
Jamie Carisa Dromgoole
Amy Costello Franklin

Candace C. Ernest Inspiration Award continued

LeVette Dione Fuller
Jennifer Leigh Taylor

Estwig Manufacturing Company Award in Geology
John Thomas Hubbard II

James C. Farrar Award in Health and Physical Education
Aaron Michael Wicklund

Frost School of Business Award
Millicent Amy Burford

Fulbright Graduate Study
Katherine Elizabeth Slaikeu

Health and Exercise Science Award
Shelley Nicole Schneider
Eric Joseph Tisdell

A.J. and Nona Trigg Hodges Choir Spirit Award
Virgilio Augusto Davis, Jr.

Joy Jeffers Award
Danielle Renée West

George T. Kilovas Award
Torrey Harrison Bertheau

C. Wright Mills Award in Sociology
Nathan Blaine Hamilton

Outstanding Graduating Music Major Award
Julia Maureen Biehle

Pi Delta Phi Award
Lyndsay Anne McDonough

W. Ferrell Pledger Honor Award in Sociology
Nathan Blaine Hamilton
Katy Elaine Valentine

Outstanding Student in Psychology Award
Angela Dara Rowe

Cecil E. Ramey, Jr. Award
John Steven Mudd

Charles M. Ross Fellowship
Sarah Elizabeth Wheat

Chi Omega Peggy Rountree Award
Jennifer Melissa Meldrum

*Jim Sears Award for Outstanding Contribution to the
Church Careers Community*
Katy Elaine Valentine

Chi Omega Sue Solomon Scholarship Award
Catherine McConnell Cabaniss

Outstanding Spanish Students Award
Melissa Gayle Mayes
Natalie Marie Vaughan

Sigma Alpha Iota College Honor Award
Andrea Leigh Reese

Sigma Alpha Iota College Leadership Award
Katy Elaine Valentine

Sigma Alpha Iota Scholastic Award
Katy Elaine Valentine

Sigma Alpha Iota Sword of Honor
Andrea Leigh Reese
Katy Elaine Valentine

Robert Ed Taylor Tau Kappa Epsilon Founder's Award
Nathan Blaine Hamilton

Theta Chi Outstanding Leadership Award
Torrey Harrison Bertheau

*Leroy Vogel Memorial Award in History and
Political Science*
Carey Ann Olney

Wall Street Journal Award
Jason Blance Nichols

A.P. and Mary C. White Endowed Scholarship
Julia Maureen Biehle
Angela Jane Russell

Ray Williams Honorary Maroon Jacket Award
Torrey Harrison Bertheau
Angela Gaye Watkins

*Who's Who Among Students in American Universities
and Colleges*

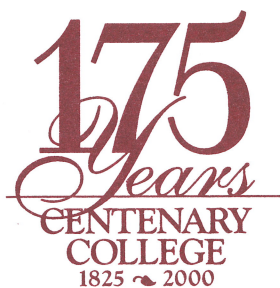
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Danielle Renée West

Academic Dress

Much interest is always occasioned by an academic procession because of the colorful dress worn for ceremonies by the faculty and the graduates. In general, the gown indicates the level of the highest degree held: for bachelors, the black gown with flowing, pointed sleeves; for masters, the black gown with sleeves slit midway for the arms, and the sleeve bottom closed flat with a semicircle cut in the side; for doctors, the flowing closed robe with sleeves closed at the wrist, decorated with chevrons of velvet, most often black on black, but occasionally with chevrons of another color indicating the general field of study, for example blue for philosophy, red for theology, or purple for law; or the entire robe of another color, as the light blue of Columbia, the crimson of Harvard, or the gold of Johns Hopkins.

Caps are nearly uniform, gold tassels indicating the doctorate or doctoral equivalents, black tassels the lower degrees.

Most identification is contained in the hoods. The velvet edging is two inches wide for masters and three for doctors. Its color indicates the subject matter in which the wearer's degree was earned: white for arts, letters, or humanities; drab for business; light blue for education; brown for fine arts; lemon for library science; pink for music; dark blue for philosophy; sage green for physical education; golden yellow for science; or scarlet for theology and divinity. The lining of the hood is a precise code identifying the university of the degree's origin. The variations from these descriptions are mostly from foreign universities.



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